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Mitzelfelt Proposes Road Powers for Oak Hills

SAN BERNARDINO – The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors on March 4 will consider Supervisor Brad Mitzelfelt's proposal to give a special district in Oak Hills authority over road maintenance in the district. The action could lead to improved maintenance of local roads that are not currently part of the County Maintained Road System.

"Giving this authority to the local district will give residents the opportunity to take an active role in the maintenance of their roads," said First District Supervisor Brad Mitzelfelt, who proposed the powers. "In many cases, the County is prohibited from performing maintenance on roads that are not part of the County Maintained Road System – based on the decisions made by local residents, this action could afford the opportunity to improve those roads."

County Service Area 70, Improvement Zone J was formed in 1971 for the purpose of providing water services to the community of Oak Hills. In recent years, the community has expressed an interest in pursuing road maintenance services as well.

The Board-appointed Advisory Commission for CSA 70 J is currently working with the community and the County Special Districts Department to develop a road maintenance plan that would include road grading and other road improvements within the Oak Hills community. Future actions could include the community presenting itself with a ballot measure asking if voters are in favor of receiving road maintenance services and whether they desire to allocate property tax revenues to that purpose.